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## 1st Congress of African Network of Professionals GATHERING OF THE GIANTS

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### Important Dates

<i>1st Announcement</i>	Dec, 2008
<i>2nd Announcement</i>	Jun 25, 2009
<i>Abstract Submission</i>	Aug 25., 2009
<i>Acceptance Notice</i>	Sep 08, 2009
<i>Final Submission</i>	Sep 25, 2009
<i>Early Registration</i>	Aug 28, 2009
<i>Hotel Reservation</i>	Sep 30, 2009
<i>Final Programme</i>	Oct 15, 2009

### Theme

PROFESSIONALISM IN AFRICA:  
Problems and Prospects

### Sub-themes

- \* Continuing Professn'l Devt in Africa
- \* Intellectual Property Management for African Professionals

### Tracks

Agriculture; Art; Business and Economy; Community Devt /

Social Services; Culture; Education; Engineering; Environment; Gender Issues; Government Policy; Health; Information and Communication Technology; Languages; Law; Management; Science

**Pre-congress Workshop:** 10th November, 2009

### Confirmed Speakers



#### Vikas Nath

Founder of Intellectual Network for the South (INSOUTH)  
[www.insouth.org](http://www.insouth.org), [www.VikasNath.org](http://www.VikasNath.org)



#### Firoze Manji

Founding Executive Director,  
FAHAMU Network of Social Justice; [www.fahamu.org](http://www.fahamu.org)  
Editor-In-Chief of Pambazuka News; [www.pambazuka.org](http://www.pambazuka.org).



#### Drs. Anna Bonn

Senior Consultant, Centre for International Cooperation  
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#### Tobias Eigen

Founder and Executive Director,  
Kabissa Space for Change in Africa; [www.kabissa.org](http://www.kabissa.org).



#### Dr Yash Tandon

Executive Director of South Centre Secretariat, Geneva  
Founder and Director,  
Southern and Eastern African Trade Information and Negotiation Initiative (SEATINI).



**Dr. Justin Chisenga**

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Information Management Specialist,  
WAICENT Capacity Building & Outreach Programme;  
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<http://www.africannpro.net/1stcongressofafricanprofessionals>



# African Network of Professionals

## 1st Congress of African Professionals

PROFESSIONALISM IN AFRICA: Problems and Prospects

11th - 13th November, 2009

Accra, Ghana

### Congress Background and Goals

African Network of Professionals (ANoP) is a network of African Professionals, intellectuals, scholars and other eminent persons working together to develop themselves professionally and hence build a vibrant, prosperous, united, and stronger Africa. The network seeks to address the political, economic, socio-culture, and technological barriers hindering professionals from Africa through the advancement of professional networking and collaborations between individuals, national, and international bodies in Africa and the world over to build the capacity and broaden competencies in the diverse professions of its members.

In conformity with its aim, the coordinating committee of the network has resolved to hold its first ever congress in Accra; Ghana from November 10-13; 2009.

The general objective of the programme is to achieve sustainable and equitable development in Africa by developing professionally and building a vibrant, prosperous, united, and stronger Africa; with a specific objective of creating an enabling and conducive environment which is endowed with requisite resources (both human capital and infrastructures) and capable of optimizing its political, economy, socio-cultural and technological strengths and opportunities for the territory's growth and development.

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#### Pre-congress Workshop: 10th November, 2009

The workshop shall focus on the following topics:

- \* *The role of ICT in enhancing true professionalism in Africa*
- \* *Sharing Insights and Networking on Business Devt in Africa*
- \* *Women and Professionalism in Africa*

### Format of the Congress

The event which has many tracks shall be highly interactive and include: working and leadership learning groups' sessions, with one-on-one meetings with African and other leading business and civil society organizations' leaders across the globe; plenary debates; International Exhibition; and a host of corporate networking opportunities. Proceedings of the congress shall be made available in the form of a book and CD-ROM, and also made available

Online through the congress website and websites of affiliate networks of African Network of Professionals. Presenters of Papers published in the proceedings of the 1st Congress of African Network of Professionals shall be invited to publish extended versions of their papers in a special international journal of the network.

### Paper Submission

Papers could be presented as Full Papers, Short Papers and Reflection papers. All submissions shall go through a Double-Blind referee'g process with at least two Internatn'l Experts.

Submission of Abstract of Papers is by online through the congress website at <<http://www.africannpro.net/1stcongressofafricanprofessionals/abstract.html>>

### Exhibition

There will be a comprehensive international trade exhibition in conjunction with the congress. Exhibition will start on the pre-congress workshop day (November 10) through 13th November, 2009. As Africa's leading professional congress on all aspects of the society and business, and their applications; the Congress of African Network of Professionals provides outstanding opportunities for industrial partners and non-profit institutions to present their business products, technologies and innovations to wide varying experts and audience from all walks of life. Our aim is to successfully combine congress, exhibition, and networking within the exciting and inventive environment of a prominent international event. In so doing, we shall create various opportunities for industrial and non-profit partners to participate as exhibitors, partners or sponsors of the African Congress and create substantial benefits for their business.

### Sponsorship

A wide range of sponsorship options is available for organizations who wish to be identify with the congress and entire delegates. The sponsorship packages offered by the congress are in four (4) categories: Platinum, Gold, Silver, and Bronze.

Interested exhibitors and sponsors are invited to contact the Congress Secretariat for further information and registration.

### Registration

	Before Aug 28	After Aug 28		Before Aug 28	After Aug 28
Congress			Pre-congress workshop		
Members	\$ 250	\$ 350	Only workshop (all)	\$ 100	\$ 150
Non members	\$ 350	\$ 500	Both workshop & congress (member)	\$ 280	\$ 400
Students	\$ 100	\$ 150	Both workshop & congress (student)	\$ 160	\$ 240

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